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OHIO

WEEKLY CROP - PROGRESS SUMMARY

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OHIO CROP-WEATHER HIGHLIGHTS

The average temperature for the state was 48.3 degrees, 4.3 degrees below normal for the week ending Sunday, October 21. Precipitation averaged 0.91 inches, this is 0.25 inches more than the historic level. The Northwest district received the most precipitation with 1.47 inches, while the South Central district received the least at 0.58 inches. Growing degree days were 22 days below normal.

Reporters rated 2.8 days suitable for fieldwork during the seven day period ending Friday, October 19. This is 2.1 days less than last year and 2.6 days less than the 1996-00 average. Topsoil moisture was rated 3 percent very short, 11 percent short, 59 percent adequate, and 27 percent surplus.

Days Suitable

	Current	Previous	Since 1 st week
2001	2.8	4.7	135.6
2000	4.9	5.0	126.3
1996-2000	5.4	5.7	140.9

Topsoil Moisture

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Current Week	3	11	59	27
Last Week	5	19	63	13
Same Week Last Year	0	2	89	9
1996-2000 Average	7	21	67	6

FIELD ACTIVITIES AND CROP PROGRESS
WEEK ENDING SUNDAY OCTOBER 21

Reporters estimated that 96 percent of the **Corn** crop is mature. This is one day ahead of last year and four days ahead of the 1996-00 average. Corn harvested for silage is 97 percent complete. This is four days ahead of last year and 11 days ahead of the 1996-00 average. Twenty-two percent of the corn crop has been harvested for grain. This is eight days behind both last year and the 1996-00 average.

Soybeans are 71 percent harvested. This is on schedule with last year but three days behind the 1996-00 average. **Alfalfa hay** fourth cutting is 91 percent complete. This is four days ahead of last year. **Other Hay** third cutting is 98 percent complete. This is five days ahead of last year but three days behind the 1996-00 average. The **Tobacco** crop is 19 percent stripped. This is two days behind last year. The **Winter Wheat** crop is 77 percent planted. This is one day behind last year and three days behind the 1996-00 average. Fifty-four percent of the winter wheat crop has emerged. This is four days ahead of last year and two days ahead of the 1996-00 average. **Fall and Winter apples** are 81 percent harvested. This is five days behind last year. **Grapes** are 92 percent harvested. This is nine days behind last year.

Activities throughout the state include chisel plowing, spreading lime and fertilizer, winter wheat and rye planting, cutting tobacco, baling hay, repairing equipment, cutting firewood, hauling grain and manure, drying grain, harvesting raspberries, apples and grapes, harvesting corn silage, corn, soybean and speltz harvesting, pumpkins, cabbage, peppers, and other vegetables harvesting continues.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS

The wet weather and high winds during the past week has delayed the corn and soybean harvesting. Frost and some heavy freeze was reported in parts of the state last week. Reported insects included soybean aphids, ladybugs, squash bugs, box elder bugs, mosquitoes, and spider mites. Reported weed problems include dandelion, jimsonweed, thistles, and garlic. Apple harvesting is almost complete with just a few late varieties left.

Reporters rated pasture conditions at 50 percent good to excellent condition. The corn crop is 56 percent in good to excellent condition. The winter wheat crop is rated 60 percent in good to excellent condition.

Livestock were reported in mostly good condition. Calves in Guernsey County were being weaned while others were hauled to market.

PERCENT PROGRESS OF CROPS FOR THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY OCTOBER 21

Crop	2001	2000	1996-00 Average	Previous Week	
				Ohio	U.S.
Alfalfa hay 4 th cutting	91	87	NA	83	NA
Corn harvested for silage	97	94	89	93	NA
Corn harvested for grain	22	35	35	18	37
Corn mature	96	95	92	91	96
Fall and Winter apples harvested	81	88	NA	76	NA
Grapes harvested	92	100	NA	86	NA
Other hay 3 rd cutting	98	95	98	92	NA
Soybeans harvested	71	71	75	67	57
Tobacco stripped	19	19	NA	16	NA
Winter Wheat planted	77	79	83	67	80
Winter Wheat emerged	54	40	48	13	55

PERCENT CONDITION OF MAJOR CROPS FOR THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY OCTOBER 21

CORN	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Current Week	4	10	30	43	13
Previous Week	4	11	29	42	14
Previous Year	1	4	24	48	23
HAY					
Current Week	1	8	37	46	8
Previous Week	1	8	37	44	10
Previous Year	0	5	20	56	19
PASTURE					
Current Week	3	13	34	41	9
Previous Week	4	16	36	36	8
Previous Year	2	4	23	55	16
WINTER WHEAT					
Current Week	2	8	30	52	8
Previous Week	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Previous Year	0	1	25	61	13

WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY OCTOBER 21

Region	Temperature		Precipitation				Growing Degree Days ^{1/}			
	Last Week	Dev.	Last Week	Dev.	Since Apr. 1	Dev.	Last Week	Dev.	Since Apr. 1	Dev.
Northwest	48.1	-3.5	1.47	0.85	27.53	5.62	31	-16	3160	97
North Central	47.7	-4.3	1.15	0.55	22.00	-0.74	26	-22	3125	111
Northeast	48.2	-3.3	0.83	0.20	18.97	-4.76	27	-20	2882	23
West Central	48.0	-4.3	1.06	0.44	30.85	7.54	29	-23	3326	140
Central	48.2	-4.7	0.89	0.30	25.26	0.98	30	-25	3363	135
Central Hills	47.5	-4.1	0.91	0.34	22.88	-1.20	26	-22	3053	67
Northeast Hills	48.0	-4.0	0.66	0.07	20.99	-2.91	28	-23	3068	27
Southwest	48.6	-5.3	0.87	0.06	30.77	5.75	34	-25	3494	98
South Central	49.4	-4.8	0.58	-0.20	24.86	0.34	40	-24	3541	106
Southeast	48.5	-4.4	0.62	-0.03	25.04	0.61	36	-22	3282	47
STATE	48.3	-4.3	0.91	0.25	25.27	1.46	31	-22	3248	87

1/ Modified Growing degree days, base 50 - ceiling 86.

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